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SUBJECT: ENERGY FACILITY INVENTORY

1. AS THE EMBASSY IS AWARE, THE DEPARTMENT AND USG
ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCIES HAVE A CONTINUING NEED FOR INFOR-
MATION ON EXISTING AND POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS IN CANADA
WHICH MAY HAVE TRANSBOUNDARY POLLUTION IMPACTS. WE HAVE
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PREVIOUSLY ASKED THE EMBASSY AND THE CONSULATES TO ALERT
THE DEPARTMENT ON A CONTINUING BASIS TO SUCH DEVELOPMENTS.
RECENTLY THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL INSTANCES IN WHICH PRO-
JECTS OF POTENTIAL CONCERN HAVE COME TO OUR ATTENTION
EITHER JUST PRIOR TO OR SHORTLY AFTER FORMAL PROVINCIAL
APPROVAL. AS THE EMBASSY WILL APPRECIATE, OUR ABILITY
SUBSTANTIVELY TO INFLUENCE CANADIAN DECISION MAKING IS IN

LARGE PART A FUNCTION OF THE POINT AT WHICH WE BECOME AWARE OF SUCH DEVELOPMENT PLANS. HE RECOGNIZE THE DIFFICULTY IN KEEPING INFORMED ON A CONTINUING BASIS OF DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, MANY OF WHICH ARE UNDER PROVINCIAL, LOCAL AND EVEN PRIVATE AUSPICES. WE BELIEVE, THEREFORE, THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO MAKE A CONCERTED EFFORT TO COMPLETE AND BRING UP TO DATE OUR INFORMATION IN ONE AREA OF PARTICULAR POTENTIAL CONCERN--THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF CANADIAN ENERGY FACILITIES WITH POSSIBLE TRANSBOUNDARY IMPACTS. ACCORDINGLY, UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE

SOME OBJECTION, THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO COORDINATE THIS EFFORT TO DEVELOP AN ENERGY FACILITY INVENTORY OBTAINING THE NECESSARY INPUT FROM CONSULATES.

2. DEPARTMENT HAS IN MIND A LISTING OF ENERGY PRODUCTION FACILITIES IN CANADA, EITHER PLANNED OR IN OPERATION, HAVING POTENTIAL TRANSBOUNDARY AIR POLLUTION, WATER POLLUTION, OR WATER QUANTITY IMPACTS ON THE U.S. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SUCH INFORMATION IS READILY OBTAINABLE FROM EITHER PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENTAL OR ENERGY MINISTRIES OR FROM THE RELEVANT POWER COMPANIES.

3. FOLLOWING IS AN OUTLINE OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED.

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4. ENERGY FACILITY INVENTORY

I. NAME OF FACILITY AND DATE OF INFORMATION

II. TYPE: COAL-FIRED, NUCLEAR, HYDRO

III. LOCATION

IV. PRESENT CAPACITY

V. OWNERSHIP

VI. START-UP OR EXPANSION PLANS: SUMMARIZE PLANS INCLUDING CAPACITY INCREMENTS, OPERATIONAL DATES, ETC. EVEN THE MOST TENTATIVE PLANS SHOULD BE NOTED AS THESE WILL SERVE AS AN EARLY WARNING.

VII. REGULATORY STATUS: ANY INFORMATION WOULD BE APPRECIATED, E.G. PROVINCIAL APPROVAL UNDER CLEAN AIR ACT PENDING - DECISION EXPECTED DECEMBER 77.

VIII. POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT: DETAIL ANY INSTALLED

EQUIPMENT, WITH EFFICIENCIES IF POSSIBLE, E.G. MECHANICAL

PRECIPITATORS-70 EFFECTIVE.

IX. COOLING/MINING WATER SOURCE: LOCATION, CONSUMPTION RATE, AND ANY SPECIAL FEATURES SHOULD BE NOTED, IF APPROPRIATE.

X. LOCAL POLITICAL ATTITUDES: EXTENT OF LOCAL SUPPORT/ OPPOSITION OR OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS, IF KNOWN.

5. INsofar AS IT IS POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN, INFORMATION SUCH AS THAT ABOVE SHOULD BE PREPARED ON ALL EXISTING AND PLAN- UNCLASSIFIED

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NED ENERGY PRODUCTION FACILITIES WITH POTENTIAL TRANS- BOUNDARY IMPACTS. BECAUSE OF THE POSSIBILITY FOR LONG- RANGE TRANSPORT OF AIRBORNE POLLUTANTS, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE A SPECIFIC MILEAGE FIGURE TO GUIDE IN DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT A FACILITY COULD HAVE A TRANSBOUNDARY IM- PACT. IN GENERAL THE UNITED STATE IS DOWNWIND OF CANADA, SO MAJOR COAL-FIRED PLANTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE IN-

VENTORY, REGARDLESS OF DISTANCE FROM THE BORDER. HYDRO AND NUCLEAR PLANTS MAY HAVE TRANSBOUNDARY IMPACTS IF LO- CATED UPON SOUTHWARD FLOWING STREAMS OR RIVERS WHICH CROSS THE BOUNDARY OR EMPTY INTO THE GREAT LAKES.

6. INFORMATION ALONG THE LINES OF PARA 4 ABOVE WHICH IS ALREADY AVAILABLE IN OTHER FORMATS NEED NOT BE PACKAGED TO CONFORM TO THE ABOVE OUTLINE. WHILE COMPLETENESS OF THE INFORMATION IS A GOAL, THE PACKAGING IS NOT.

7. BECAUSE OF INFORMATION ALREADY IN THE DEPARTMENT, THE FOLLOWING PLANTS MAY BE OMITTED:

POPLAR RIVER GENERATING STATION - SASKATCHEWAN
BOUNDARY GENERATING STATION - SASKATCHEWAN
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